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NOVEL PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING SAME

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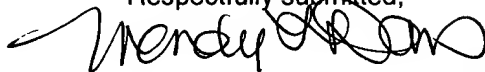
**EXPRESS MAIL STATEMENT**

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.10, Applicants herewith submit this 5<sup>th</sup> day of January 2003, the following documents to the United States Patent and Trademark Office in support of the filing of this newly-presented application for United States Letters Patent:

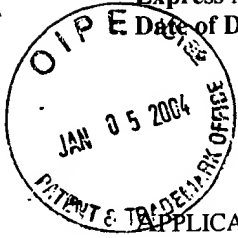
Letter of Transmittal (in duplicate);  
Ammendment and Response  
Request for Continued Examination  
Petition for Extension of Time  
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In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.10, Applicants request that they be granted the filing date for this application of January 5<sup>th</sup> 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Request for Continued Examination and Fee under 37 CFR §1.114**

This is a request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. Enclosed herein are the following:

Amendment and Response (4 pages)

Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 (4 pages)

Petition for Three Month Extension of Time (1 page, in duplicate).

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Pursuant to 35 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicants herein request continued examination of Application USSN 09/800,321. Included with this request are the required elements of 1) a request; 2) a submission; and 3) a fee.

The Examiner is authorized to charge \$385.00 Deposit Account NO. 502648 reference no. 15966-703 (Cura 203).

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